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CHINA IN TRANSITION.	CHINA IN TRANSITION	COAL CRISIS.	AVIATION.	INTERPORT GOLF.	MISSISSIPPI FLOODS.	TURKISH ELECTIONS.
RUSSIA AND THE LOAN.	GENERAL HSU SHIU-CHING.	LEADERS CONFIDENT.	JAANESE PURCHASE.	HONGKONG'S DEFEAT.	40,000 DESTITUTE.	MUCH DISSATISFACTION.
[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 7, 3.5 p.m. Reuter's correspondent at St. Petersburg states that it is announced that Russia has decided to join the group styled the Four Powers Banking Syndicate for the issue of a loan to China. She makes a special proviso that the issue shall in no wise prejudice special Russian interests in Manchuria, Mongolia and West China.—Reuter.	[From Chinese Sources.] April 6. President Yuan Shih-kai has accepted General Hsu Shiu-ching's resignation of the post of Chief Advisor to the General Staff. MORE APPOINTMENTS. Cheung Chok-pun and Hsu Hui have been appointed respectively Vice Minister of the Navy and Vice Minister of Justice.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Bombay, April 8, 7.20 a.m. The miners' leaders are confident that the men will obey instructions and will resume work. The necessity of repairing the mines is likely to delay the coal getting for some days.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Bombay, April 8, 7.20 a.m. Reuter's correspondent at Berlin says that it is reported that the Japanese Government has purchased the new Parseval airship.—Reuter.	[Our Own Correspondent.] Shanghai, April 8, 9.35 a.m. The scores in the interport golf championship show that Shanghai wins with a score of 527. The details of Hongkong's score are:— Walkers 178 Forrest 185 Clark 185 Cumming 186 Kraft 203	[Service to the "Telegraph."] Bombay, April 8, 7.20 a.m. The floods in the lower and middle Mississippi districts are causing great havoc over the low-lying country. Ten thousand people are homeless and it is expected that forty thousand will ultimately be destitute.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 7, 3.5 p.m. The first stage of the Turkish elections is proceeding under conditions which are exciting the gravest dissatisfaction among the opposition parties, particularly the Christian, which accuses the Party of Union and Progress of adopting most arbitrary methods and of excluding or terrorising opposition voters.—Reuter.
CITIZEN SOLDIERS.	A RECOMMENDATION.	HARMONIOUS PROCEEDINGS.	SEQUENCE OF FIRES.	HISTORIC HOUSES.	DAM BURST.	CANTON NEWS.
Shanghai, April 5. The people of Tientsin are proposing the formation of a citizen soldiery. The intention is to select two men from each shop for service. President Yuan has sanctioned the scheme.	April 7. Luk Chin-cheng has recommended to President Yuan the appointment of Chang Yim-tong, Chinese Minister at Washington, as Chinese envoy to the International Red Cross Conference.	The proceedings at the Miners' Conference were fairly harmonious through the majority contended strong that the men had been let down.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 6, 4 a.m. Lake House, an Elizabethan mansion near Halsbury, and its valuable contents were destroyed by fire yesterday morning. The tenant is Mr. H. P. Illingworth, the Government Whip. The family and servants escaped in their night clothes. Their lives were saved by the barking of a dog, which Mr. Illingworth subsequently rescued after several attempts to reach the window by a ladder.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 6, 4 a.m. Rossall House, the family seat of the Colquhouns at Loch Lomond, was partially burned. The Chief is at present soldiering in Egypt.	Bombay, April 8, 7.20 a.m. The dam St. Clair, in Tennessee, burst last night and flooded the St. Francis basin. It is expected that there will be small loss of life, the inhabitants having ample warning.—Reuter.	(The "Telegraph" Correspondent.) Canton, April 6. Dr. Sun Yat-sen is returning to Canton with Wong Ching-wai and Han Man and the party are expected to reach here shortly. The people in Canton and Fatsian are making preparations to offer the ex-President a hearty welcome. On the day of the arrival, the members of the New Canton Republican Society and other Societies will hold a reception in honour of Dr. Sun Yat-sen.
MINISTERS RESIGN.	RAILWAY SYNDICATE.	82,000 WORKING.	ROYAL PROMISE.	THE FULFILMENT.	SIR JAMES JENKINS.	
Heng Hsi-ling, Minister of Finance; Shun Kai-yun, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, and Chan Ki-moe, Minister of Labour and Commerce have tendered their resignation. President Yuan has asked them to retain their posts.	The Cantonese residents in Nanking are forming a syndicate for the construction of a railway from Nanking to Wuhu.	There are now sixty-two thousand miners at work. Meetings held in Yorkshire, Northumberland, Fife, Kinross and the Lothians resolved upon instructing the delegates at to-day's conference to vote for a continuance of the strike. It is expected that the proceedings of the conference will be lively, and the result is doubtful. There will possibly be a split in the Miners' Federation. At many of the meetings yesterday, the leaders were heckled for their advice to resume. The Welsh leader, Mr. Hartshorn, said he would have called out the transport workers and other organisations to assist the miners, but it was now the duty of the men to resume and be loyal to the Federation, whose very existence was at stake.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 6, 4 a.m. Their Majesties the King and Queen have consented to attend a gala performance at the Palace Music Hall on the 10th of June, which will be the fulfilment of a Coronation promise, which the Lafayette disaster in Edinburgh last July prevented them from carrying out at the time.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 6, 4 a.m. The historic Gibbstown Castle, Meath, was also partially destroyed by fire, damage being done to the extent of forty thousand pounds.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 6, 3.40 a.m. The death is announced of Sir James Jenkins, Hon. Surgeon to the King.—Reuter.	
KOREANS SEEK NATURALIZATION.	MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS.	SCOTTISH CUP.	HOME FOOTBALL.	INTERESTING ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIND.	THE REAL "WHO'S WHO."	
The Koreans resident in Vladivostok have applied to the Chinese Republican Government for naturalization as Chinese subjects.	A recommendation by Tang Shao-ji, the Premier, that Sze Shiu-ki should be appointed Minister of Communications has been endorsed by the Assembly.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 7, 7.20 a.m. The Scottish Cup final took place yesterday at Ibrox Park. Celtic beat the Clyde by two goals to nil.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 6, 4 a.m. There have been several forecasts regarding the Home Rule Bill, the most detailed being that published in the Liberal paper the "Ulster Guardian." The chief points brought out are that there will be a Council of forty-eight persons, of whom twelve will be nominated, and an Assembly of 103 members. The Customs and Excise will be under Imperial control for six years, after which they will be controlled by Irish legislature, subject to perpetual Anglo-Irish free trade.—Reuter.	Statue of an Indo-Scythian King at Muttra.	While we have no quarrel with that portentous volume in red covers which Messrs. Black produce annually, and which is so well-known to the public, we think that a closer imitation of Japanese model would effect more exciting chunk of literature. In Japan they are not satisfied with "Blocks," Jno. Albert—inspector of parish schools since 1884; clubs: Tulse Debating and National Library; recreations, Diabolo, Hunting the Slipper, Nuts in May." They demand something more in estimate. For instance, in a recent Japanese "Who's Who," we are told concerning Count Okuma that he "was brought up by a wise and virtuous mother"; while of another Japanese, millionaire, at the time of the Restoration, he "was clever enough to begin selling arms and ammunition from which he derived a large profit." Even this, however, does not quite fulfil the duties of the ideal "Who's Who." This is a age when no man's private life is private, and we wish to become intimate with our celebrities. Thus, instead of the brief record of the name of the lady whom the celebrity did marry, we should like a list, with names and dates, of the girls who refused him. A very bright and readable volume might, we fancy, be presented to the public in this manner. (We must hasten to inform the literary connoisseurs of which a collection is now on view in the Delhi Museum, "Old Mall,"	The Governor General has issued a proclamation prohibiting the export of subsidiary coins from Canton in order to prevent a shortage. Passengers leaving Canton for the outports must not carry more than \$50 in small coin. If they are found carrying more than money will be confiscated. The proclamation will only remain in force while the crisis lasts.
CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.	ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS.	SCOTTISH CUP.	HOME RULE.	INTERESTING ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIND.	THE REAL "WHO'S WHO."	
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CANTONESE TROOPS.	THE RECOMMENDATION.	SCOTTISH CUP.	HOME RULE.	INTERESTING ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIND.	THE REAL "WHO'S WHO."	
The Cantonese troops stationed at Nanking have been formed into the 4th Division under the command of Yiu Yu-ping.	Chan Fong, Vice Minister of Labour and Commerce.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 6, 4 a.m. There have been several forecasts regarding the Home Rule Bill, the most detailed being that published in the Liberal paper the "Ulster Guardian." The chief points brought out are that there will be a Council of forty-eight persons, of whom twelve will be nominated, and an Assembly of 103 members. The Customs and Excise will be under Imperial control for six years, after which they will be controlled by Irish legislature, subject to perpetual Anglo-Irish free trade.—Reuter.	[Service to the "Telegraph."] London, April 6, 4 a.m. There have been several forecasts regarding the Home Rule Bill, the most detailed being that published in the Liberal paper the "Ulster Guardian." The chief points brought out are that there will be a Council of forty-eight persons, of whom twelve will be nominated, and an Assembly of 103 members. The Customs and Excise will be under Imperial control for six years, after which they will be controlled by Irish legislature, subject to perpetual Anglo-Irish free trade.—Reuter.	Statue of an Indo-Scythian King at Muttra.	While we have no quarrel with that portentous volume in red covers which Messrs. Black produce annually, and which is so well-known to the public, we think that a closer imitation of Japanese model would effect more exciting chunk of literature. In Japan they are not satisfied with "Blocks," Jno. Albert—inspector of parish schools since 1884; clubs: Tulse Debating and National Library; recreations, Diabolo, Hunting the Slipper, Nuts in May." They demand something more in estimate. For instance, in a recent Japanese "Who's Who," we are told concerning Count Okuma that he "was brought up by a wise and virtuous mother"; while of another Japanese, millionaire, at the time of the Restoration, he "was clever enough to begin selling arms and ammunition from which he derived a large profit." Even this, however, does not quite fulfil the duties of the ideal "Who's Who." This is a age when no man's private life is private, and we wish to become intimate with our celebrities. Thus, instead of the brief record of the name of the lady whom the celebrity did marry, we should like a list, with names and dates, of the girls who refused him. A very bright and readable volume might, we fancy, be presented to the public in this manner. (We must hasten to inform the literary connoisseurs of which a collection is now on view in the Delhi Museum, "Old Mall,"	The Governor General has issued a proclamation prohibiting the export of subsidiary coins from Canton in order to prevent a shortage. Passengers leaving Canton for the outports must not carry more than \$50 in small coin. If they are found carrying more than money will be confiscated. The proclamation will only remain in force while the crisis lasts.

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China Mail.

New Chinese Festivals.

Every country has its yearly festivals and national holidays and of course China has been no exception to this universal rule. As a matter of fact in the past the Middle Kingdom has been rather noted for the number of her local holidays, and as these have generally been associated with some temple festival they have possessed a more or less religious character. But now that the calendar has been altered to bring the new republic into line with most of the other countries of the world the question has arisen what is to be done about the old holidays or the decreasing of new ones. The topic has already been discussed frequently by the more intelligent of the native community for they realize that something must be devised to take the place of the old play-days. There are those who say that the temple festivals will now be seriously handicapped because the changing of the calendar will throw the people out of their reckoning for determining the astrological dates. Be that as it may, it seems that Peking has already decided there shall be six authorized festivals, and, with the exception of the birthday of Confucius, none of them has anything to do with the old temple festivities.

Daily Press.

Japan's Move.

Japan has ordered one of her Army Divisions to Pingyang, according to the Japanese papers. The report has neither been confirmed nor denied, and, what amount of truth there is in it, it is difficult to say. As is well known, Japan has immense barracks at Pingyang, constructed evidently for future contingencies, and thus is fully prepared to deal with any situation that may arise. If the report is true, then apparently she deems the time nearly ripe for action. What special circumstances have arisen which could have induced Japan to take this step? Perhaps the principal cause is to be found in the soldiers' mutiny at Peking and the similar resulting disturbances in other parts of the country. Japan officially certainly did not look with pleasure on the sweeping away of the Manchu Dynasty, although its fall would have been less objectionable if its place had not been taken by a republic. Japan with a republic on the East and a republic on the West dreads a decline of the imperial spirit, which she judges necessary for her development. When the news of the mutiny at Peking reached Tokyo, however, it seemed that a republic was not so inevitable as was at first thought. Yuan Shih-kai's position from the Japanese point of view was severely shaken, and it was possible that, after all, the republic of China might prove a dream.

South China Morning Post.

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THE CURRENCY OUTLOOK.

The statement, in Saturday's issue, that the Canton mint is working at top speed to turn out coin to meet the needs of the market recalls the fact that something like a currency revolution is almost certain to take place in China within the next few years. It is impossible to predict with anything like confidence what is to happen in China within the next decade, but it is fairly safe to say that China is bound to require a great amount of silver in order to establish a proper currency, as she seems certain to do. It is often forgotten, outside China, that she has, speaking broadly, no proper currency at all. British and Mexican dollars circulate mainly in the treaty ports and are sanctioned by usage rather than by law.

Once the shock sustained by trade and credit during the inter-cine strife has passed away, however, trade should do more than merely return to pre-revolutionary activity. There should be a gradual and steady expansion, especially from and to inland markets. If China is to develop along Western lines the resources of the country will be tapped. Railways will be driven through and across it, and trade with foreign markets will grow steadily and materially.

The recovery from the effects of the recent conflict must, of course, be gradual, but once the country has properly settled down the forward movement should be one of increasing rapidity. Assuming a peaceful and contented China, the next quarter of a century should see the face of the country greatly changed. But not without very large purchases of silver and, almost as certainly, not without the establishment of some common currency. In any movement of this nature India must take a considerable interest, for it would almost certainly mean the release, and disposal of, a great part of India's hoarded silver. No doubt it would also accelerate the tendency, slight but, we are told, growing, towards securing a gold standard for India. It is possible again, though hardly likely, that China herself may adopt a gold standard. The whole outlook, therefore, is pregnant with possibilities and it is impossible for anyone to estimate with anything like certainty what is to happen beyond that there will be a change in the relative value of gold and silver and that the new rulers of China must face the institution of a properly-regulated and legal currency as one of the first steps towards developing the country and opening up her markets. The rest is speculation but very interesting speculation.

DAY BY DAY.

Most failures can be traced to the belief that other people are not quite as smart as we are.

To-day's Paper.

An article in regard to the Chinese troops in Shanghai, and World's News appear on page 3. Local sport and an interesting communication from an Ilang correspondent will be found on page 8.

Japanese reports state the Prince Chan, formerly Regent in China, arrived at Port Arthur, where Princes Su and Kung are, on March 23.

Three trains were snowed up in Hokkaido, Japan, on March 18 for periods varying from twenty-three to seventy-eight hours.

In connection with the projected development of the Island of St. Thomas by a Danish syndicate, an official of the East Asiatic Company says that the aim of the promoters is to make the island a Western Hongkong, which shall secure the bulk of the trade through the new canal.

A telegram received by the Japanese Foreign Office, dated New York, March 25, says that of the nineteen largest silk-weaving mills at Paterson, New Jersey, sixteen have suspended operations on account of workers going on strike. This stoppage has seriously affected the raw silk market in America.

Ringling the Changes.

The police have had to deal with a new form of depredation on the money changer. A man went to a changer in Wellington Street and asked for \$5 worth of twenty-cent pieces, tendering a perfectly good note. He was given the subsidiary coin and sixty-cents exchange, but after he had left the counter and gone about three paces off, he returned and remarked that the discount was not enough asked for his five dollar bill to be returned. This was done and he handed over a roll of coin which appeared at first sight to be the same as that given to him previously, but the changer being suspicious of the increased warmth of the roll opened it to find that it consisted only of cash. The master was reported to the police and an arrest made.

A New Industry.

On Saturday afternoon the dyeing and dry cleaning establishment of the Eastern Dyeing and Dry Cleaning Co. was formally opened in the presence of a goodly number of guests, among whom were the French Consul and Madame Paillard. The company has its own office in Beaconsfield Arcade and is an entirely new departure for Hongkong. A tour of the building, which is situated right down on the sea shore, proved remarkably interesting, especially the apparatus for dyeing. The work, except in some of the heavier departments, will be carried out by French employees and the firm thus hope to ensure that good quality of work which has always made French dyers and cleaners famous. The building itself has been specially built for the industry and every precaution has been taken to ensure the best results.

An Interesting Point.

At the Magistracy this morning, a Chinese appeared before Mr. D. Melbourne on a charge of having in his possession fifty-four taels of prepared opium without having a valid certificate from the opium farmer. After his arrest the defendant produced a certificate and this was put forward at the court this morning with the result that Mr. Hoggarth, who appeared for the opium farmer withdrew the case, as in his opinion everything was in order.

Inspector Fenton on behalf of the police objected, and wished that the case might be proceeded with, but Mr. Hoggarth submitted that the only complainant that there could be in a case of this nature was the opium farmer and consequently the police had no locus standi in the matter.

The Magistrate, however, decided to hear the case and as a result found that the defendant was in lawful possession of the drug and discharged him.

Mr. L. D. Tobb, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., died at Shanghai on March 31.

The death occurred at Shanghai on March 29 of Mr. H. J. Tripp, one of the oldest residents of the Settlement.

A telegram from Dunkirk reports a curious accident there. The electric light cable—which passed under a bridge over a canal short-circuited, and the whole of the bridge became electrified. The passengers on the bridge received shocks that kept them dancing. Although unpleasant to the victims, the scene was most comical, to the spectators who were not affected by the current. Even the horses were affected, and instead of walking, dashed off at a gallop.

The following is from the "Shanghai Times" of April 1:— We are sorry to hear of the disappearance from the local field of journalism, of our esteemed contemporary, the "China Gazette," which for nearly two decades has filled a most useful want. The editor in explaining the cause for its closing down, uses the words "suspects publication" and holds out the hope that in the near future, it will again be in the hands of the public. It is earnestly hoped that the editor's hope will be realised.

Accompanied by his wife, daughter, and niece, Miss H. C. Barbour, and four United States naval officers, Rear Admiral R. F. Nicholson, recently appointed to the command of the Asiatic Squadron, arrived in Shanghai on March 30 on the steamer Siberia. In the party beside Rear Admiral Nicholson and the members of his family were Commander Charles B. McVey, Chief of Staff, Chaplain M. C. Gleason, Lieutenant Calvin P. Puge and Lieutenant-Commander D. W. Wurtzbach. Headquarters have been made on the Rainbow, flagship, though the party were to be the guests of the Astor House for several days.

Among the passengers who arrived by the O.N.S. Chinshui, was Mr. Frank W. White, who has come to Hongkong to take up a position on the staff here of the Asiatic Petroleum Company.

The "N.C. Daily News" of April 4 says:—Mr. White's departure will be keenly felt in local sporting circles; for throughout his five years residence here he has always taken great interest in the promotion of field sports. For the past three years he has been on the Committee of the St. George's Society; he founded the Shanghai Amateur Athletic Association in 1908; was a member of the Committee of the S. M. Police Athletic Sports, the Coronation Sports last year, and of Henli Regatta, and was also a member of the Shanghai Golf, Cricket, Rowing, and Swimming Clubs.

Supposed Suicide.

A Chinese passenger on the s.s. "On Lee" is believed to have committed suicide yesterday evening by throwing himself overboard on the trip from Macao to Hongkong. The alarm was raised about an hour and a half out from Macao, and Capt. Everitt turned the ship back and lowered a boat, but failed to find the unfortunate man. According to a steerage passenger the deceased jumped into the sea.

The Recent Conspiracy in Siam.

The statement has appeared in some of the other local papers that the officers arrested in connection with the recent conspiracy have been released, says the "Bangkok Times" of March 22. This is somewhat misleading. What really happened is that after the disclosure of the projected rebellion a number of officers were arrested. Necessarily some of these were more deeply implicated than others. The papers in connection with the different cases were sent to His Majesty the King, and those against whom the evidence was strongest have been released from custody pending their trial by Court Martial. This court composed of both Army and Navy officers has now been appointed and commenced its preliminary investigations yesterday. At the conclusion of the court's deliberations the evidence will be sent to His Majesty.

At Juneau, in Alaska, warrants have been issued for the arrest of 18 business men under the provisions of the Sherman anti-trust law. It is alleged that the accused, who are the heads of the steamship and coal companies, combined to exclude other companies from the use of wharfage facilities at Skagway.

A DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

Prussian Prince in Hongkong.

Prince Waldemar, eldest son of Prince Henry of Prussia, who is travelling under the name of Count Falkenreide, is at present in Hongkong, and accompanied by a medical attendant and two valets, is staying at the Peak Hotel. He arrived on Friday by the German mail steamer Kleist and was welcomed by Captain Taylor, A.D.C. to His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, by Dr. Voretzsch, the German Consul, and others. Few, however, of the community knew of the intended visit of the Prince and in consequence many who would have been pleased to accord him welcome were deprived of the opportunity. The Prince who is a most unassuming young man, is twenty-three years old. On Friday His Royal Highness lunched with the German Consul and in the afternoon spent some considerable time shopping. He also visited Happy Valley. On Saturday he continued his peregrinations in the Colony, lunched at Government House, and attended the races. At the luncheon the guests included Commodore Eyres, the Commander of the German gunboat Tiger, and Consul Voretzsch. The Prince had also a motor run to Aberdeen, and visited the Club Germania, where he was welcomed by the President and the members. In the evening a trip to Canton and Macao was made, the party returning to-day. Prince Waldemar will leave Hongkong to-morrow on the s.s. Shinyo Maru for Japan. It was the intention of the Prince to make a long stay in Hongkong, a place with which his father was associated in the days when he was a naval officer, but an illness delayed the party at Colombo. He marked his appreciation of courtesies extended to him in the Colony by presenting a number of souvenirs. Consul Voretzsch received an autograph portrait and the manager of the Peak Hotel a gold and ruby scarf pin in the form of a W surmounted by the crown of Prussia.

POSITION AT SWATOW.

Lim Wants "Expenses."

Our Swatow correspondent writes on April 4:—

Matters here have gone along smoothly since my letter of yesterday. Woo's 3,000 soldiers are quartered principally in the Kialat district, while Lim's men continue in their quarters in the Police Court buildings, several new houses on the road to the railway station, and in the large house formerly the Swatow residence of Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s late Comprador, just at the back of that firm's office.

Lim is stated to have declared his willingness to leave Swatow provided a sum of money is paid to cover his "expenses" for the time of his stay and transporting men back to Canton. According to the best information I can get, he has not named any definite amount, but I have heard from different sources that it is Tls. 80,000. Ko, the leading man of wealth here, called a meeting of merchants yesterday to discuss the matter of making a payment to Lim, but we hear that at this meeting none were willing to contribute to the fund. Ko has already paid Lim \$15,000 in three instalments to cover working expenses up to date, and it is presumed that this sum will later be repaid by the Chamber of Commerce.

Woo has his quarters on board the Kwong Hoi, which brought him here, for the time being. The outcome of the situation is very doubtful and we can only await whatever happens in the course of time, as no one is able to forecast events with any degree of accuracy.

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ALLEGED UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

American in Court.

What should prove to be an interesting case started this morning at the Magistracy when a well-dressed American named Hadley, alias Blaine, was brought before Mr. D. Melbourne on two charges. The first count was that of having in his possession three pearl necklaces, a pair of gold and pearl ear-drops, two gold rings set with large pearls and one Japanese blue stone valued in all at \$800 which the police have reason to regard as having been stolen or obtained in an unlawful manner in a place outside the Colony, to wit Shanghai, while the second count was one of having in his possession a Mauser carbine, a revolver, and seventy rounds of ammunition without the permission of the Police, on board the s.s. Chinshui on April 7.

Defendant pleaded not guilty to both charges and said he was only passing through the Colony and had not asked for a permit as he did not intend to stay here. He was only waiting to take the next boat to Shanghai.

Inspector Collett asked for a remand as it might be necessary for them to bring witnesses down from Shanghai.

The case was accordingly remanded until Wednesday next at 10 a.m., bail being fixed in the sum of \$1,500.

THE LATE MR. ARTHUR SASSOON.

We regret (says the "L. and C. Express" of March 18) to announce the death on 13th inst. of Mr. Arthur Abraham David Sassoon, an intimate friend of his late Majesty King Edward VII, and a well-known figure in society. Mr. Sassoon was on a visit to his brother-in-law, Mr. Leopold de Rothschild, at whose house, Ascot, Leighton Buzzard, he was staying. He was quite well until a few days ago, but a slight illness, suddenly contracted, took a serious turn, and he passed peacefully away from heart failure. The fifth son of the late David Sassoon, of Bombay, was born in India on May 25, 1840, and came to England when he was about 15 years of age. Subsequently he spent some years in India and China, associated with the firm of David Sassoon, Sons and Co., and later joined the London firm in Leadenhall-street, of which he remained a director until the time of his death. Mr. Sassoon was an uncle of Sir Edward Sassoon, M.P., a half-brother of the late Sir Albert Sassoon, and a brother of the late Mr. Reuben Sassoon. He married, in 1873, Eugenie Louise, daughter of late Achille Perugia, of Trieste, and a sister of Mrs. Leopold de Rothschild. Mr. Sassoon was better known in society than in the City, for he retired from business between 30 and 40 years ago, and had since devoted himself entirely, except for his director's duties, to social affairs. His great wealth enabled him and Mrs. Sassoon to entertain considerably, both at their villa at Hove and at Tulchan Lodge in Scotland.

Mr. Sassoon was a man of scholarly tastes and wide reading. He knew Hebrew, Hindustani, and Arabic, and he knew the Bible perfectly. Apart from being an elder of the Portuguese Synagogue, he did not associate himself in an active capacity with specifically Jewish institutions, though he was a generous supporter of communal charities through the firm of which he was a member. Moreover, he was known to observe all the important Jewish ordinances. On one occasion King Edward's visit to Tulchan Lodge coincided with the Day of Atonement, and Mr. Sassoon begged His Majesty's permission to absent himself from the house-party for that day, in order that he might spend it in the solemn fast and prayer ordained for the occasion. Throughout his life he was extremely kind-hearted and charitable, but it was done privately, and nobody knew the extent of his generosity.

Slightly Mixed.

A telegram recently announced the death of Mr. George Grossmith, senr., and one story concerning him, which we have just come across, is worth telling. At the zenith of his career he was one of the most popular men in the United Kingdom. This is sufficiently attested by the fact that he realised as much as £20,000 in less than two years while touring with his "one-man show." Yet his fame had not reached some parts of the provinces, and in his book, "Piano and I," he speaks of a remarkable dialogue overheard shortly after he severed his connection with the Savoy. "Are you going to Mr. Grossmith's recital to-night?" asked a lady of a gentleman. "Who's recital?" "Grossmith's." "I never heard of him," said the gentleman. "You must have heard of his book. I saw your daughter reading it the other day," the lady declared. "Oh, Grossmith," finally observed the gentleman, "you mean the man who wrote 'The Dandified Wife.' Of course, I've heard of him."

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Trial by Jury.

Shanghai papers which arrived to-day contain particulars of China's first essay in the system of trial by jury. The trial extended over three days and resulted in the man accused being found guilty and sentenced to death. There seemed to be a belief current that the jury had made up their minds about his guilt before hearing the evidence, and this found expression in an interruption by one of the audience while the counsel for the accused was addressing the court. The counsel was advised that he was wasting his time. The cynically disposed might say that the remark would not be altogether out of place on occasion in some British courts of law.

The Eternal Subject.

In many clubs there is a very excellent rule that certain subjects must not be mentioned. The foremost of these, in some instances, is the weather. This must be a severe trial to the flesh, when a locality has been afflicted with the extremes of heat and cold that have visited Hongkong of late. "The Oldest Resident" is the elusive individual who is more often quoted than known, apparently does not recall such a see-saw between extremes for many a year, although it would, of course, be beneath the dignity of the "Oldest Resident" to admit that he is surprised. It is the privilege, if not the right, of the "Oldest Resident," to decline to recognise the possibility of anything modern approaching the "good old days." And, if the weather in those times could give a handicap and a beating to the shifty and uncertain conditions that have recently been passing for "weather," no one will begrudge him his unpleasant recollections.

Miracle or Imagination?

A curious piece of news comes from Japan and is to the effect that a lad 13 years of age spoke after being dumb from birth. The parents, it is stated, have been in the habit of praying to the Buddha and Shinto Gods for the restoration of the power of speech to their son, and to their surprise and joy the other day the lad suddenly addressed them by name. Since then the lad has proved himself capable of making himself perfectly understood in his native tongue. The overjoyed parents lost no time in taking the necessary steps to send the lad to school, which he is attending and runs the tale as a "first-year boy" at the tender age of 13! Dr. Asai, of Osaka, has been interviewed by an Osaka correspondent, and explains how such an event might possibly happen in certain circumstances. It might, but the "Japan Chronicle" causally reminds its readers of another possible happening when it remarks that "Considering the well-developed imagination of Japanese newspaper reporters we should think the first consideration would be to discover if the event has actually happened."

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K.O.Y.L.I. RACES.

Accident to Rider.

The following are the concluding results at the K.O.Y.L.I. race meeting on Saturday:

Easter Stakes.

*Mr. White's Desford 1st. 12lb. (Dupree) 1

Mr. Kendrick's Korry 1st. 3lb. (Knoll) 2

***Mr. Slade's Esperando 1st. 10lb. (Master) 3

*Mr. Hough's White Heather 1st. 13lb. (Gegg) 0

**Mr. Pepy's Ballybrack 1st. 7lb. (Owner) 0

*5lbs. over ***8lbs. over 10lb over.

Esperando was the first away, but passing the judge's box for the first time White Heather took the lead, followed by Esperando and Korry. Passing the football field Ballybrack went to the front, followed by White Heather and Korry, Desford bringing up the rear. Ascending the hill Esperando forced his way into first place with Korry next and Ballybrack third and White Heather last. Rounding the home bend Esperando still kept the lead, but at the distance was overtaken by Korry. Desford challenged Korry a hundred yards from home and won an exciting race by the shortest of heads. Esperando eight lengths away was third.

Time 2 min. 10 sec.

Pari Mutual Winner \$13.50

Cash Sweep.

1st Ticket ... \$520.20

2nd ... \$151.20

3rd ... \$75.00

The Polo Cup.

Mr. Pepy's Trago, (Owner) 1st. 7lb. (Jervois) 1

Mr. Collis-Brown's Kongsi, (Owner) 12st. 7lb. (Capt. Hughes) 2

Capt. Hughes' Tickey, (Owner) 12st. 10lb. (Jervois) 3

Mr. Jervois' Little Willie, (Jervois) 12st. 7lb. (Capt. Mallinson's) 0

Capt. Mallinson's Polar Bear, (Boulton) 12st. 11lb. (Mr. Kent's) 0

Mr. Kent's Jorrocks, (Bradley) 12st. 10lb. (Owner) 0

Capt. Warden's Moonbeam, (Owner) 12st. 7lb. (Owner) 0

The winner led from start to finish and won easily by a length and a half, half a length separating second and third.

Time 47 sec.

Pari Mutual winner \$24.80.

Cash Sweep.

1st Ticket ... 548.10

2nd ... 156.80

3rd ... 78.30

The Farewell Handicap.

Messrs. Hughes and Jervois

Favonius, 10st. 10lbs. (Mr. Jervois) 1

Mr. Grasson's Rosyth, 10st. 7lbs. (Mr. Pepy) 2

Mr. Britton's Joss, Mighty, 11st. 8lbs. (Mr. Dux) 3

Also ran:—Auchendoun (Mr. Gegg), Ben Macdhui (Mr. Grasson), Daisy (Mr. Master), Norman Chief (Mr. Knoll), Birmingham (Mr. Kremer), Merry Scott (Mr. Hastings), 6lbs. penalty.

Rosyth got clear of the field at the start, and lead practically the whole way round into the home straight. Hero ho made the best of his position on the rails, but at the distance post was challenged by Favonius. A neck and neck race ensued, and Favonius just passed the post in front of Rosyth. It was here that an accident to Mr. Pepy happened. The winning post had just been passed, when Rosyth fell, bringing its rider down heavily. Mr. Pepy sustained a broken collar bone. Time 2 mins. 44secs.

Pari Mutual Winner \$13.50

Cash Sweep.

Ticket 1st ... \$607.65

2nd ... 171.90

3rd ... 85.05

The Minden Cup.

Mr. Kadourie's Mogul Chief, 11st. 1lb. (Mr. Knoll) 1

Mr. Britton's Ashington, 10st. 10lb. (Mr. Dux) 2

Mr. Pepy's Ballybrack, 10st. 7lb. (Mr. Collis-Brown) 3

Also ran:—White Heather (Mr. Gegg), Reformer (Mr. Seth), Lots of Time (Mr. Kremer), Fanling (Mr. Grasson), Rheinland (Mr. Hastings), 6lbs. penalty.

Mogul Chief led merrily from the start with Ashington close up, but Mogul Chief was too good. Ballybrack was a good third. Time 1 min. 59 secs.

Pari Mutual Winner \$21.40.

Cash Sweep.

Ticket 1st ... \$540.15

2nd ... 102.90

3rd ... 81.45

DISTANCE HANDICAP.

Mr. Hodge's Golab, 150 yards (Mr. Hodge) 1

Mr. Dillon's Mand, 200 yards (Mr. Dillon) 2

Mr. H. Jynes' Tochi, 75 yards (Mr. Jervois) 3

The race was won easily, although at one time Mr. Cookson's Donnughy, which obtained a handicap of 250 yards, looked like being the winner. Mand was several lengths behind Golab. Pari-mutual winner \$10.10.

Cash Sweep.

1st ... \$601.65

2nd ... 171.10

3rd ... 85.95

The musical programme was as follows:

1.—"March, 'Spirit of Pageant'".

2.—"Overture, 'Le Cheval de Bronze'".

3.—"Valse, 'Dreaming'".

4.—"Selection, 'Haddon Hall'".

5.—"Gavotte, 'Passion Flower'".

6.—"Two Step, 'Down in Jangle Town'".

7.—"Selection, 'Students' Songs'".

8.—"Except, 'Coppelia'".

9.—"Pavane, 'U.S.A.'".

10.—"Galop, 'Mail Coach'".

Mindo, March.

Regimental March.

God Save the King.

F. G. Mo. s.

Bandmaster.

ATHLETICS.

Lusitano Recreation Club

Meeting.

The Lusitano Recreation Club held its sixth athletic meeting on the racecourse this afternoon, by kind permission of the Jockey Club.

There was a large attendance of spectators and the band of the 8th Rajputas discoursed music at intervals during the afternoon.

The results were as follows:

120 YARDS HANDICAP.

N. N. Maher 1

J. Castro 2

Time 13.4.5 secs.

HIGH JUMP.

F. B. Silver 1

A. A. Luz 2

Height 4 ft. 10 in.

BOYS' RACE, 220 YARDS.

Open to boys between 10 and 15 years of age.

D. Castro 1

A. Castro 2

C. Vas 1

Jose M. Rosa Peraira 2

Time 3 mins. 38.2-5 secs.

THE SEDDON MURDER.

Scene in Court.

This special correspondent of the "China Press" in London, wrote on March 16 as follows:

The unravelling of the suburban poison mystery has exercised a morbid fascination over the minds of Londoners during the ten days of trial. The crime had several sordid and unusual features. The accused parties, Frederick H. Seddon, and his wife, were typical members of the lower middle class. They lived in a decent neighborhood, and were to all appearance as respectable, commonplace people as the hundreds of thousands of their kind who inhabit the suburban girdle.

The husband earned a comfortable income as superintendent of canvassers for an insurance company. He had bought his own house with his savings and had a few hundred pounds by him as well.

He was a pushing, covetous man, anxious to make money.

Like most Londoners the Seddons occupied a house rather bigger than their needs required. In July, 1910, they let rooms to Miss Eliza Mary Barrow, a maiden lady whose acquaintance they had made. She was a woman of independent means, somewhat eccentric and self-willed, and she had had ties with the few distant relatives who remained to her.

Seddon soon established a remarkable influence over Miss Barrow. Knowing nothing about finance she became nervous concerning her investments. As a matter of fact they were superlatively gilt edged. Of her annual income, £120 a year was derived from licensed premises leased to a big brewery firm. They sent her a cheque every quarter day with the regularity of the calendar. She had £1,600 in Government of India stock, and

some hundreds of pounds which she kept in her room after being alarmed by the failure of a popular London bank.

After living with Seddon for three months Miss Barrow transferred to him her leasehold property and her India stock in exchange for an annuity of £3 a week for which he could offer no security beyond his promise to pay. Between October 1910 and September 1911, Mrs. Seddon cashed notes which had been paid to Miss Barrow to the value of £135. She endorsed them with a false name and address. In September last Miss Barrow was apparently penniless except for the annuity which Seddon had promised to pay. On September 13 she died.

Her relatives were not informed. On making inquiry they learned that she was dead and buried; that she had left nothing beyond a few pounds which were paid for the funeral, and that she had appointed Seddon her sole executor.

The Grave Opened.

The police were communicated with. An exhumation order was obtained from the Home Secretary. The grave gave up its dead. A post-mortem revealed the presence of arsenic in deadly quantity. The body, in fact, was preserved with arsenic; even the hair and nails were impregnated with the poison. The Seddons were arrested. Sufficient prima facie evidence was found to justify a magistrate in committing them to the Central Criminal Court, and then began the patient accumulation of a mass of circumstantial evidence which at last placed the noose round Seddon's neck.

Miss Barrow became ill at the end of August and a doctor diagnosed epidemic diarrhoea—a disease the symptoms of which are identical with those of arsenical poisoning. She had frequently suffered from gastritis, caused, it was said by alcohol. In September she died, and the doctor, although he had not seen her for a few days, granted a certificate. Both Seddon and his wife were with her when she died although a fatal termination was not expected. The circumstance enabled Sir Rufus Isaacs, who prosecuted, to draw a tremendous picture of Seddon sitting at the door of the death chamber because he dared not leave his wife alone to await the end which he expected.

Immediately after she died Seddon searched the room for money. He found, on his own confession, £410. Yet it was sworn that when she went to the Seddons, Miss Barrow had about £400 in gold. It was proved that she subsequently drew £216 out of her bank; and it was found that Mrs. Seddon had cashed bank notes in a false name to the value of £135. Miss Barrow owned a family vault in Highgate Cemetery. Seddon arranged to have her buried in a common grave at a cost of £4, and then haggled with the undertaker until he got £2.6d. back as commission.

Next day Seddon took Miss Barrow's diamond ring—which he said she had given him as a present—to a jeweler and had it enlarged to fit his own finger. His wife had Miss Barrow's name erased from a gold watch which the dead woman had given her.

At night they went to a music hall. On the day of the funeral, Mrs. Seddon placed a wreath on the coffin and kissed the dead woman's forehead. She was buried, and the evidence of the crime seemed hidden for ever in a common grave.

Poison in Fly Papers.

When arsenic was found in the body inquiries were made in the chemists' shops of Holloway and it was found that Maggie Seddon, the daughter of the prisoner, had been buying fly-paper, of the "non-sticky" kind. Each paper, on analysis, contained more than two grains of arsenic, a fatal dose.

On the morning of the dead woman's death four fly papers were in a soup plate in her room.

Miss Seddon explained this by saying that one of the saucers in which the fly papers had been set out singly had fallen and she had thereupon placed them all together in the plate. Miss Barrow had lived mainly on meat juice. All her food was prepared and administered by Mrs. Seddon. It would be impossible for anyone to detect a dose of arsenic in meat juice, said the

doctors. The expert evidence made it certain that death was the result of a large dose of arsenic administered in the last few days of life. No proof could be brought forward that Seddon or his wife had given their longer or the poison. But there it was.

On this circumstantial evidence the jury found Seddon guilty, but acquitted his wife.

The Scene in Court.

As the long-drawn trial approached its conclusion public interest became intense. For three days Seddon and his wife were in the witness box. Their clothes and plumbum under the cross-examination of one of the greatest lawyers at the English Bar arose many doubts as to whether the jury would find circumstantial evidence enough.

Seddon's counsel, Mr. Marshall Hall, in a moving and eloquent address, set the case for the prisoners in its most favourable light. Seddon and his wife visibly brightened as their gifted advocate explained away the evidence until every link of the chain seemed to vanish into thin air. But they had a terrible ordeal next day when Sir Rufus Isaacs, for four hours took the jury step by step through the evidence until the whole damning chain was complete again.

Lawyers regard it as one of the greatest speeches in the annals of the Old Bailey.

I had a peep into the Court in the afternoon when the Judge was summing up. The crowded seats, the hush, the gravity, the black figure of the chaplain, the black cap in front of the judge, all told that an issue of life and death hung in the balance. The Judge, an old man with a quiet voice, leaned back in his great chair, his scarlet robes vivid against the green upholstery, and slowly weighed the evidence. Perhaps the most striking passage were those in which he explained to the jury their duty in dealing with circumstantial evidence.

It is not necessary, he said, that a crime should be proved beyond the possibility of doubt, for there are doubts involved, more or less, in every human transaction. Certain crimes committed in secrecy can only be brought to light by the comparison of circumstances. If you find in the evidence the degree of certainty that you would act upon in your own grave and important concerns that is the degree of certainty that the law requires.

The jury deliberated for an hour. Their departure, followed by that of the Judge, loosened pent up emotions. Men rose, stretched themselves, turned to their neighbors, began whispered discussions. Mrs. Seddon instantly left the dock; her husband leaned over the rail and talked with his counsel. The jury returned and with them the tense hush, deeper than before.

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SANUKI MARU, Capt. A. Teranaka, T. 7,000 TUESDAY, 9th April, Noon	SAWA MARU, Capt. T. Iriyama, T. 7,000 TUESDAY, 29th April, Noon	
SAINY & MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THUNDA ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	KUMANO MARU, Capt. T. Winkel, T. 6,000 FRIDAY, 12th April, Noon	
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TAKOW (NOMA)	TENSHIN MARU, Capt. I. Horii, T. 4,000 SUNDAY, 14th April	
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MIYASAKI MARU	9,000	T. Mura	May 22nd.	
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S.S. O. F. LAEISZ 10th May.

For Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp:

S.S. ARCADIA 31st May.

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LOG BOOK.

Wages and Conditions at Sea.

COMMERCIAL.

Shanghai Share Market.

Messrs. J. P. Bisset & Co.'s share report dated March 20 contains the following:

The market continues to be lethargic and the number of transactions on the local Exchange is small.

Banks.—H. & S. Banks are wanted at \$870, a rise of \$15 from last week.

Insurance.—No change.

Shipping.—Kochians are still wanted at Tls. 20. Indo-Chinas show a sharp rise of Tls. 6, to-day's quotation being Tls. 52 $\frac{1}{2}$ buyers.

Docks and Wharves.—Wharves are rather easier and Docks are freely offered at Tls. 50.

Mining.—Kaipings are strong at Tls. 13.1-2.

Lands.—Shanghai Lands changed hands at Tls. 88. Anglo-French Lands remain nominal at Tls. 95.

Plantations.—Very little change in the market. Prices on the whole remain firm.

Cottons.—No change.

Industrials.—Langkats. A fair volume of business has been done at prices ranging from Tls. 75/76 cash, and Tls. 79/80 June. At the moment of writing shares are wanted at Tls. 76 cash.

Stores and Hotels.—No change. Hall & Holtz are still naked for at Tls. 17.1-4 and Centrals at \$8.65.

Miscellaneous.—Trams are in demand at Tls. 53.1-2.

Debentures.—Debentures during the past week or two have been easier. A fair number of Municipal Debentures have changed hands during the week (1906 and 1907 issues) at Tls. 103.

Singapore Share Report.

In their share report, dated March 27, Messrs. Fraser & Co. state:—Local rubbers have been somewhat erratic in their movements during the week under review, but close with a strong undertone, whilst sterlings have been marked down during the past few days. Tin shares have come in for a better demand, and Industrials remain unaltered.

Rubber.—United Sua Betongs made \$1, and London Asiatics 11/8, at which there are small sellers. Remain Ordinary changed hands at 15/- and Merlinus 4/1—Bukit Kajanga were placed up to £2.10.4-1-2 with sellers holding for £3. Tebans keep steady round £3.7.6. A few Chotias 2/0-1-2. Merguis, on a more favourable report, finish in good demand. New Singapores, after a long spell of inactivity, have risen to \$5.50 and close firm. Teluk Ansons have buyers at \$5.50, Ulu Pandans 70 cents, Glenalys \$1.50, Ayer Kuning 70 cents, Changkat Serdanga \$0, Sandicroft \$1.60 and Mantius par.

Mining.—Rubs after moderate dealings are quiet on the output of 865 ozs. Kanbois are offering at \$1.75 with buyers at \$1.50. Belats keep good at \$4.40. Tongkah Harbours were placed at \$20.50 and Tronohs \$31.75 with small sellers over.

General.—Straits Traders changed hands at \$50, Gold Storage \$32.50 and Howarth Erskine Preferences \$82.50. Riley Hargreaves Preferences are wanted at \$107.50 whilst the Ordinaries have small sellers at \$102.50. Tracer and Neaves are firm at \$47 with a scarcity of sellers. Shells finish at \$41.40.

Consignees.

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Hongkong, 4th April, 1912. [288]

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [288]

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"PRINZ WALDEMAR" having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godown, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here. No claim will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 7th of April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 4th of April, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 18th of April, 1912, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [7]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

S.S. "SHINYO MARU." From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS, and MANILA.

The above-named steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on WEDNESDAY, 3rd inst., at 5 p.m., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer to Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on WEDNESDAY, the 10th inst., afternoon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or godown and examination of same to be arranged.

All claims must be filed on or before the SATURDAY, the 18th inst., otherwise they will not be recognized.

K. MATSDA, Agent.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [18]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

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"KLEIST," having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godown, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 12th April, will be subject to rent.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1912. [278]

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on TUESDAY, the 9th day of April, 1912, at 5 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Tai Heng in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Boundary Measurements.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. v. Combined League.

This match was played on Saturday on the Club ground. The Club won by an innings and 10 runs. Scores:—

H.M.C.—First Innings.	President, Vice-President:
A. C. E. F. Borrough, b. Dempsey, ...	D. McNeil, W. Wotherspoon
Mr. Annablein, b. b. Ward, ...	L. Guy, W. Johnson
A. H. Gillingham, c. Witchell, b. Bird, ...	J. McDonald, J. W. Crawford
... 11	A. A. Milroy, A. Ramsay
A. R. Sutherland, b. Bird, ...	(skip) ... 10 (skip) ... 23
W. C. D. Turner, a. Crawford b. Bird, ...	R. Hall, J. Nicolay
... 20	J. D. Dickie, J. Steiner
R. P. Thursfield, b. Taverne, ...	J. M. Henderson, J. Ferguson
D. E. Donnelly, b. Bird, ...	D. Gow, W. Russell
Comdr. Ward, not out, ...	(skip) ... 24 (skip) ... 18
Extras, ... 10	T. Petre, W. Taylor
Total, ... 198	H. Shires, D. Cooper
Bowling:	(skip) ... 11 (skip) ... 21
O. M. R. W.	
Taylor, 17 6 33 5	
Bird, 17 1 88 5	
Taverne, 7 1 30 4	
Dempsey, 3 18 1	
Witchell, 5 22	
Combined League.—First Innings.	
Capt. Crawford, b. Annablein, ...	17
R. O. Hutchinson, b. Ward, ...	2
L. Corp. Dempsey, b. Ward, ...	7
Capt. Chapman, c. and b. Annablein	6
H. H. Taylor, b. Annablein, ...	3
R. C. Witchell, b. Ward, ...	6
L. Smith, b. b. Annablein, ...	6
J. V. Braga, c. Elborough, b. Ward, ...	6
R. E. O. Bird, c. Annablein, b. Ward, ...	12
Corp. Taverne, b. b. Annablein, ...	8
J. P. Robinson, not out, ...	6
Extras, ... 6	
Total, ... 70	
Bowling Analysis.	
O. M. R. W.	
Ward, 18 7 33 5	
Annablein, 17 3 31 5	
Second Innings.	
Capt. Crawford, b. Josseland, ...	3
L. Corp. Dempsey, c. Whitehead, b. Josseland, ...	10
Capt. Chapman, b. Gillingham, b. Josseland, ...	0
L. Smith, b. Donnelly, b. Thursfield, ...	13
R. O. Hutchinson, b. Elborough, ...	20
H. H. Taylor, c. Annablein, b. Donnelly, ...	25
J. P. Robinson, c. Donnelly, b. Elborough, ...	2
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J. V. Braga, c. Turner, b. Josseland, ...	8
Corp. Taverne, b. Annablein, ...	6
R. C. Witchell, c. Ward, b. Annablein, ...	0
Extras, ... 118	
Bowling:	
O. M. R. W.	
Thursfield, 7 1 18 1	
Josseland, 12 3 52 4	
Donnelly, 9 4 18 1	
Elborough, 9 1 44 2	
Annablein, 0.5 1 1	

FOOTBALL.

K. O. V. L. I.'s Victory.

The semi-final of the Soldiers'

Cup competition was decided on Saturday at Happy Valley, when the K. O. V. L. I. team defeated the R. G. A. by three goals to two after a stirring game.

The R. G. A. commenced briskly, and at half time led by two goals to nil which was no more than they deserved.

A change came over the game in the second half, however. Pace began to tell on the R. G. A., and the K. O. V. L. I. eleven from being the defenders assumed the attack. Ten minutes from time the score was still unaltered; then the Yorkshires' attack proved irresistible. A brace of goals came quickly and a third followed close on time. It was a fine victory, but the artillery lads hardly deserved to be robbed of victory as they were.

LAWN BOWLS.

Opening of Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

The Kowloon Bowling Club opened its greens on Saturday, and despite the cool weather there was a good turn-out of members. The usual match for

sports to members of the winning rinks was played between by teams representing the President (Mr. G. L. Duncan) and the Vice-President (Mr. A. Ramsay), and resulted in a win for the latter by 62 to 53. Scores:—

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Capt. Chapman, b. Gillingham, b. Josseland, ...	0
L. Smith, b. Donnelly, b. Thursfield, ...	13
R. O. Hutchinson, b. Elborough, ...	20
H. H. Taylor, c. Annablein, b. Donnelly, ...	25
J. P. Robinson, c. Donnelly, b. Elborough, ...	2
R. E. O. Bird, not out, ...	24
J. V. Braga, c. Turner, b. Josseland, ...	8
Corp. Taverne, b. Annablein, ...	6
R. C. Witchell, c. Ward, b. Annablein, ...	0
Extras, ... 118	
Bowling:	
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Thursfield, 7 1 18 1	
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Mr. Hicks is said to have been bunting over his bag trying to find his revolver when he was attacked, and he received two chest wounds, which were almost immediately fatal. Mr. Sheldon, who seems to have got into close grips with the robbers, received numerous wounds, none of which are fortunately of a very serious nature. Mr. Hoffmann, who went to the assistance of Mr. Hicks, received a stab wound in the neck.

The robbers were probably scared at the death of Mr. Hicks, as they, after all, took but little of the belongings, some clothing, a bag, and basket and bedding being all they got away with. The two wounded men are now inmates of the Runkine Memorial Hospital.

Further Atrocities.
Another affair of rather a different nature, but in which two Chinese bontons were killed, and five others badly wounded, has recently happened not far from Ichang. The Shu-chun, which left Ichang for Szechuan a few days ago, met several junks coming down near the Tungling Rapid. The wounded men say that they hauled them to anchor their boats so that the soldiers might search them, but it was impossible at that place to anchor, so the soldiers at once opened fire, with the above mentioned result.

Such happenings, we feel, will soon give this part of the river as notorious a reputation as the West River.

POST OFFICE.

Only fully paid-up letters and post-cards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe. Letters for this route should be superscribed via Siberia.

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended:—Hsich, Hunan and Tongyueh.

MAILS DUE.

American, China, 9th inst. English, Assaya, 11th inst. German, Prinz Ludwig, 17th inst.

American, Manchuria, 19th inst.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London, March 9. March 13. March 16. March 23.

MAILS CLOSE.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Muji, Cambria and United States via Seattle, Wash., Per Sanuki-in-ni, 9th April, 10 a.m.

American Mail, Shanghai, North China, Japan, Honolulu, United States, Canada and South America via San Francisco—Per Shinyo-maru, 9th April, 10.30 a.m.

French Mail, Shantung, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Marseilles. (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes, in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)—Per Australian, 9th April, 11 a.m.

Macau—Per Sui Tai, 9th April, 11 a.m.

Philippines Islands—Per Taming, 9th April, 8 p.m.

Weihaiwei, Chelow and Tientsin—Per Kueichow, 9th April, 8 p.m.

Japan, via Muji, Honshu and South Amakiri—Per Bungo-maru, 9th April, 4 p.m.

Philippines Islands—Per Isla Filipinas, 9th April, 4 p.m.

Straits and Ceylon—Per Koga-maru, 9th April, 5 p.m.

Port Bayard Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Sikiang, 10th April, 8 a.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Laisat, 10th April, 10 a.m.

Swatow—Per Haimon, 10th April, 1 p.m.

Portuguese Islands—Per Shaohsing, 10th April, 3 p.m.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Wardie, 11th April, 11 a.m.

Shanghai, North China—Per Choyang, 11th April, 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 11th April, 1.15 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Foo-nan and Foochow—Per Hainan, 12th April, 10 a.m.

English Mail, Japan via Kobe—Per Fultale, 12th April, 11 a.m.

Philippines Islands—Per Loong-sang, 18th April, 1 p.m.

Batavia, Samarang and Sonataya—Per Tjitaroen, 16th April, 10 a.m.

American Mail, Japan, Hon. Iku, U.S.A. via San Francisco (Europe, etc., via Siberia)—Per Siberia, 16th April, noon.

Manila, Cebu and Ililio—Per Tiong, 16th April, 3 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

The G. N. s.s. Minnesota left Yokohama for this port via Manila on the 6th inst., and is expected on the 10th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Kumano Maru, Australian Line, left Nagasaki for this port the 6th inst., and is expected on the 9th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Miyazaki Maru, European Line, left Singapor for this port on the 4th inst., and is expected on the 10th inst.

The S. G. Line s.s. Curonia left Rangoon on the 5th inst., for Hongkong via Straits, and is expected to arrive on the 17th inst.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Assaye left Singapor for this port on the 7th inst., at 10.30 a.m., with the outward English Mail, and due on the 11th inst. at 6 p.m.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Ludwig, carrying the German Mail with dates from Berlin on the 20th ult., left Colombo on Saturday, p.m., and may be expected on the 17th inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Manchuria from San Francisco sailed from Yokohama on the 8th inst., en route to Hongkong, and is due to arrive on the 10th inst. The American Mail has been transferred to Yokohama and will arrive at Hongkong by the N. D. L. s.s. Lutong. The Manchuria will be despatched from this port on the 30th inst., at 1 p.m., for San Francisco via Shanghai, Kowloon, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu.

ARRIVED.

Choy Sang, Br. s.s., 1,434, M. Courtney, 7th April—Shanghai via Sasebo 3rd April, Gen. J. M. & Co.

Kwangtze, Chi. s.s., 1,458, J. M. Arthur, 7th April—Shanghai 4th April, Gen. O. M. S. N. Co.

Si Kiang, Fr. s.s., 616, E. de Gataiano, 7th April—Haiphong and Kuanghowian, 6th April, Gen. M. M. M. & Co.

Tsimanock, Dutch s.s., 5,636, A. W. La Rooy, 7th April—Java and Billiton 8th Mar., Gen. T. K. K. & Co.

Loosok, Ger. s.s., 1,021, G. Schultzen, 7th April—Bangkok 30th Mar., Gen. B. & S.

Chinhus, Br. s.s., 1,270, Benson, 7th April—Shanghai 4th April, Gen